

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Behrooz Sharifi *et al.*  
Application No. : 10/564,009  
Filed : July 14, 2006  
For : USE OF PLEIOTROPHIN IN THE DIAGNOSIS, TREATMENT AND  
PREVENTION OF DISEASE

Examiner : Kevin Kai Hill  
Art Unit : 1633  
Docket No. : 67789-080USO  
Confirmation No.: 6133  
Date : February 9, 2011

Commissioner for Patents  
Post Office Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**AMENDMENT**

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated August 12, 2010, to which this response is timely filed in view of the petition for three-month extension of time attached hereto, please consider the following remarks.

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